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1. SUMMARY: AS ANTICIPATED, GRENADIAN PM SIR ERIC GAIRY ADDRESSED THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE (SPC) ON AGENDA ITEM 126 AND INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION (DATAFAXED) WHICH WOULD ESTABLISH AN EXPERT GROUP TO SET GUIDELINES FOR A UN STUDY OF UFOS. HE WAS FOLLOWED BY DR. FRIDAY (MINISTER OF EDUCATION) AND FOUR OTHER SPEAKERS, ALL OF WHOM ARGUED IN FAVOR OF A "UN CLEARINGHOUSE" FOR THE EXCHANGE OF DATA AND COORDINATION OF RESEARCH ON UFOS. THE SPEAKERS WERE SUPPLEMENTED BY A SHORT FILM WHICH CONSISTED OF STILL AND MOTION PICTURES SPLICED TOGETHER

PURPORTING TO DEPICT ACTUAL SIGHTINGS OF UFOS. CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM WAS SUSPENDED TO PERMIT DELEGATES

CONSIDER THE RESOLUTION. END SUMMARY.

2. GAIRY, IN HIS STATEMENT TO THE COMMITTEE ON 27 NOV,

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SAID HE HAD COME TO NEW YORK TO PRESENT THE ITEM BECAUSE OF HIS "DEEP PERSONAL CONVICTION" THAT THE SUBJECT OF UFOS WAS ONE OF "WORLD-WIDE IMPORTANCE AND SIGNIFICANCE" AND INDEED, ONE WHICH WARRANTED VERY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY THE UNITED NATIONS.

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IN AUSTRALIA SEEMED TO HIM TO BE A COMPELLING REASON FOR
THE UNITED NATIONS TO "COME ALIVE TO ITS RESPONSIBILITIES
AND TAKE A SERIOUS LOOK AT THE U.F.O. PHENOMENON TO WHICH
PLANET EARTH HAS BEEN CONSPICUOUSLY EXPOSED SINCE 1947."
3. MR. FRIDAY READ OUT THE TEXT OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN
APRIL 1977, AT ACAPULCO, MEXICO, AT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL
CONGRESS ON UFO PHENOMENON, WHICH HAD ENDORSED GRENADA'S
INITIATIVE TO BRING THIS MATTER TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
UNITED NATIONS. IT WAS AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, HE SAID,
THAT THE GRENADA DELEGATION HAD INVITED SOME OF THE
SCIENTISTS WHO HAD PARTICIPATED IN THE CONGRESS TO JOIN
HIS DELEGATION TODAY IN ORDER TO SPEAK ON THE SUBJECT.

4. DR. J. ALLEN HYNEK (PROFESSOR OF ASTRONOMY AT NORTHWESTERN) COMPLEMENTED GRENADA FOR HAVING THE COURAGE TO

INTRODUCE THE SUBJECT AND THUS "TROD WHERE MIGHTIER

NATIONS FEARED TO TREAD." HE WENT ON TO DEFINE THE

PHENOMENON OF UFO'S SIMPLY AS "ANY AERIAL OR SURFACE

SIGHTING, OR INSTRUMENTAL RECORDING (E.G. RADAR,

PHOTOGRAPHY, ETC.) WHICH REMAINS UNEXPLAINED BY CONVENTIONAL METHODS EVEN AFTER COMPETENT EXAMINATION

BY QUALIFIED PERSONS." A CARDINAL MISTAKE, AND A SOURCE

OF GREAT CONFUSION, HE REMARKED, HAD BEEN THE ALMOST

UNIVERSAL SUBSTITUTION OF AN INTERPRETATION OF THE UFO

PHENOMENON FOR THE PHENOMENON ITSELF. HYNEK SAID THAT UFO

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IT IS REAL.

REPORTS HAD BEEN ASSEMBLED FROM 133 COUNTRIES. IN SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS, THESE REPORTS HAD BEEN MADE BY HIGHLY RESPONSIBLE PERSONS -- ASTRONAUTS, RADAR EXPERTS, MILITARY

AND COMMERCIAL PILOTS, OFFICIALS OF GOVERNMENTS AND

SCIENTISTS, INCLUDING ASTRONOMERS. HYNEK CONCLUDED BY

POINTING OUT THAT THERE ARE MANY SCIENTISTS AND SPECIALISTS

AROUND THE WORLD WHO ARE STUDYING THE UFO PHENOMENON BUT

THEY HAD NO MEANS, EITHER GOVERNMENTAL OR PRIVATE, BY

WHICH THEY COULD SHARE THE RESULTS OF THEIR WORK. HE

SUGGESTED THAT THE UN CREATE THE NECESSARY FRAMEWORK TO

PROVIDE THIS CAPABILITY FOR SCIENTISTS.

5. DR. JACQUES VALLEE (CURRENTLY AN AUTHOR OF SCIENCE

FICTION) WAS THE NEXT SPEAKER INTRODUCED BY DR. FRIDAY.

HE HAS SPENT FIFTEEN YEARS ANALYZING UFO REPORTS ON A

COMPUTER AND CONCLUDED THAT DESPITE THE LACK OF CONCLUSIVE

PROOF, THE UFO PHENOMENON IS REAL BECAUSE PEOPLE BELIEVE

HIS CONCLUSION WAS THAT THIS PHENOMENON HAD THREE

ASPECTS: FIRST, PHYSICAL MANIFESTATION THAT COULD AND

SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED THROUGH AVAILABLE SCIENTIFIC

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EQUIPMENT; SECOND, A PSYCHO-PHYSIOLOGICAL ASPECT. WITNESSES
AT THE SCENE EXHIBITED DISORIENTATION SYMPTOMS, A LOSS OF
THE SENSE OF TIME, PARTIAL PARALYSIS OR LOSS OF VOLUNTARY
MUSCLE CONTROL, AUDITORY AND VISUAL HALLUCINATIONS, EYE
COMPLAINTS RANGING FROM CONJUNCTIVITIS TO TEMPORARY
BLINDNESS, MASSIVE PSYCHIC REACTIONS AND LONGER-TERM
EFFECTS SUCH AS DISTURBANCE OF SLEEP AND DREAM PATTERNS
AND RADICAL BEHAVIOR CHANGES. HE DID NOT BELIEVE IT WAS
WITHIN THE PROVINCE OR THE BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS
TO ADDRESS SUCH EFFECTS DIRECTLY, EXCEPT WHERE THE UNITED
NATIONS COULD SERVE ITS TRADITIONAL ROLE IN DISSEMINATING
SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION AND FACILITATING EXCHANGES AMONG
SCHOLARS.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 02 OF 02 USUN NEW YORK 05425 6. DR. FRIDAY THEN INTRODUCED LT.COL. LARRY COYNE, U.S.ARMY, WHO APPEARED IN A PRIVATE CAPACITY. COYNE DESCRIBED TO THE SPC A PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH A UFO NEAR COLUMBUS, OHIO IN 1973 WHEN HIS ARMY HELICOPTER ALMOST COLLIDED IN MID-AIR WITH A UFO. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE WAS PREPARING A MANUSCRIPT ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCE FOR A BOOK.

7. THE CHAIR RECESSED THE SPC SO THAT THE FILM ON UFO'S
COULD BE SHOWN. DR. HYNEK INDICATED THAT EACH OF THE
SIGHTINGS DEPICTED IN THE FILM HAD BEEN THOROUGHLY
INVESTIGATED AND SEVERAL OF THEM WERE HIGHLY SUSPECT.
8. WHEN THE AFTERNOON SESSION OPENED, DR. FRIDAY ANNOUNCED

THAT EX-U.S. ASTRONAUT L. GORDON COOPER WAS UNABLE TO
ATTEND THE MEETING AS SCHEDULED. HE DID, HOWEVER, READ

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A LETTER FROM COOPER WHICH STATED HIS BELIEF THAT EXTRATERRESTRIAL VEHICLES AND THEIR CREWS ARE VISITING

THIS

PLANET FROM MORE TECHNICALLY ADVANCED CIVILIZATIONS.

COOPER HAD OBSERVED FORMATIONS OF UFO'S IN 1951, BUT

INDICATED MOST ASTRONAUTS WERE RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS THE

SUBJECT BECAUSE OF THE CHICANERY WHICH HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED

WITH IT. HE CLAIMED THAT IF THE UN PURSUES THE GRENADIAN

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PROJECT, MORE QUALIFIED PEOPLE WILL STEP FORWARD TO PROVIDE HELP AND INFORMATION.

9. DR. FRIDAY THEN INTRODUCED HIS FINAL SPEAKER WHO WAS STANTON FRIEDMAN, A FULL TIME UFOLOGIST AND LECTURER. FRIEDMAN AGREED WITH COOPER THAT EARTH HAS BEEN VISITED BY VEHICLES FROM EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL SOURCES AND OPINED THAT SINCE WE WILL HAVE THE CAPABILITY OF VISITING OTHER STAR SYSTEMS IN THE NEXT CENTURY, THEY WANT TO KEEP TABS ON US. SINCE THERE IS NO SINGLE LEADER TO BE TAKEN TO, THE ALIENS HAVE NOT INITIATED CONTACT WITH ANY RECOGNIZED AUTHORITY.

10. FRIDAY CLOSED BY SOLICITING THE COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE RESOLUTION FROM OTHER DELEGATES. THERE WERE NO OTHER INTERVENTIONS MADE AT THAT TIME EXCEPT FOR A LIBERIAN REQUEST THAT THE PROCEEDINGS BE REPRODUCED VER BATIM. ABSENT ANY OBJECTION, THE CHAIR AGREED. ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION WAS POSTPONED PENDING FURTHER CONSULTATIONS.

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11. COMMENT: MISOFF WILL CONTINUE TO DISCUSS MATTER
WITH LIKE-MINDED DELEGATIONS TO SEEK AVENUE WHICH WILL
ACCOMMODATE GRENADIANS AND NOT SADDLE UN WITH
INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF SUBJECT. ANY RESULTING ACTION
WOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE
APPROACHING THE GRENADIANS. LEONARD

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